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1. DEPFONMIN NAGY CALLED MCAULIFFE TO FONOFF MORNING FEBRUARY 5 BUT DID NOT DISCLOSE SUBJECT BEFOREHAND.
 2. REFERRING TO THEIR JANUARY 27 MEETING, NAGY SAID "IT HAS NOW BEEN OFFICIALLY DETERMINED" THAT DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SZEKER IS HOLDING HIS SCHEDULE OPEN AND WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT U.S. DURING FIRST HALF OF MAY 1976. HE SAID THAT FONOFF INSTRUCTIONS ARE GOING FORWARD TODAY TO AMBASSADOR ESZTERGALYOS IN THAT SAME SENSE. MCAULIFFE REPLIED THAT HE HAD REPORTED THEIR JANUARY 27 TALK FULLY TO WASHINGTON AND THAT HE WAS NOT IN A POSITION TO SAY MORE UNTIL DEPARTMENT HAD TAKEN SOUNDINGS WITH SECRETARY OF COMMERCE RICHARDSON.
 3. NAGY VOLUNTEERED GOH'S DESIRE THAT PROPOSED VISIT BY DR. SZEKER AS EARLY IN MAY AS FEASIBLE IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT IN DOMESTIC AMERICAN AFFAIRS. SZEKER, HE SAID, WOULD PLAN SPEND TWO TO TWO AND ONE-HALF DAYS IN WASHINGTON FOLLOWED BY FOUR TO FIVE DAYS TRAVEL ELSEWHERE TO MEET LEADERS IN AMERICAN INDUSTRY, FINANCE AND ECONOMICS AND TO VISIT SELECTED INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS. IT HAS ALREADY BEEN DECIDED THAT HUNGARIAN LADIES WILL NOT REPEAT NOT ACCOMPANY DEPRIMIN AND HIS
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PARTY; AND IT IS "NOT ALL THAT CERTAIN" THAT NAGY HIMSELF

WILL BE MEMBER OF PARTY. MCAULIFFE AGAIN SAID: A) HE
HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS, AND B) HE STILL BELIEVED PROPER LOCUS
FOR OPERATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PLANNING IS WASHINGTON.

4. JUST BEFORE CHANGING CONVERSATION TO ANOTHER SUBJECT,
DEPFONMIN REVEALED THAT THERE NOW EXISTS IN FONOFF A
"PAPER" PROPOSING THAT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN
AFFAIRS JOZSEF MARJAI CONSIDER VISITING U.S. IN APRIL
1976 IN RESPONSE TO INVITATION TENDERED BY DEPUTY SECRETARY
INGERSOLL LAST SEPTEMBER. MCAULIFFE REMARKED THAT LEAD
TIME FOR POSSIBLE MARJAI VISIT EXTREMELY SHORT. NAGY SAID
MARJAI HIMSELF HAS NOT YET APPROVED "PAPER" AND THAT,
IN ANY EVENT, NO DECISION CAN BE TAKEN IN BUDAPEST TO
PROBE USG ON TIMING UNTIL FONMIN PUJA RETURNS NEXT WEEK
FROM HIS ASIAN TRIP.
MCAULIFFE

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